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In brief

ORI outbrief

The Operational Readiness Inspection outbrief will be held Tuesday at 10 a.m. in Hangar 2 here. Buses will begin running at 9 a.m. from the Base Support building, the Communications Squadron, the Mission Support Group building, the Air Control Squadron and the Medical Group building.

Post-ORI event

A post-ORI event is being held at 3 p.m. June 30 in the Enlisted Club parking lot here. There will be free food, drinks and music. Families are welcome to attend.

Office closure

The Base Legal office will close at 11:30 a.m. Thursday for an official function. Normal operating hours will resume July 5. In case of emergency, call 774-5407.

Holiday weekend

In recognition of Independence Day, July 1 is a Family Day and July 4 is a holiday. Most base offices will be closed these days. Be sure to plan accordingly.

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EOD ASAP

Senior Airman Bruce Thomashunis, left, and Staff Sgt. Jonathan Morrison, 325th Civil Engineer Squadron Explosive Ordnance Disposal journeymen, review the technical specifications of a simulated live Navy MK-44 torpedo here Tuesday. They were preparing to disarm the torpedo, which had 'washed up' on shore here as part of the Major Accident Response Exercise during the Operational Readiness Inspection.



Melissa Peterson

ORI '05: Full throttle, steady vector

Checkertail Clan sustains momentum as ORI winds down

MAJ. SUSAN A. ROMANO
325th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

After months of preparation, the 2005 Operational Readiness Inspection is finally winding down.

Members of Air Education and Training Command's inspection team came to Tyndall to assess our overall ability to execute our mission — **TRAIN AMERICA'S AIR DOMINANCE FORCE.**

The week-long inspection also has inspectors examining our ability to deploy our combat warriors and the ability of those warriors to survive and operate in a 'deployment zone.' The inspection team is also thoroughly reviewing our paperwork, files and continuity books and they watched as we reacted to a major accident response scenario unfold on Tyndall.

"Units throughout the base are facing tough

challenges under the scrutinizing eyes of the IG inspectors" said Brig. Gen. Jack Egginton, 325th Fighter Wing commander. "I'm extremely proud of the professionalism all of our Airmen have shown the IG Team."

Monday kicked off with many squadron- and group-level inbriefs for the inspectors, giving units the opportunity to set the tone early and shine the spotlight on our Airmen and our processes. Tuesday rang in the accident scenario that had personnel responding to a beached Navy torpedo which ultimately exploded near the Tyndall Archery Range.

Wednesday introduced computer-hacking situations and a potential bomb threat to the base.

Thursday saw more than 100 warriors 'deploying' as part of an AEF. These warriors were taken to the Cantonment Area to demonstrate their ability to respond to simulated sniper activ-

ity, incoming rockets and mortars, and apply ATSO actions in a simulated combat zone.

"For me, it is always a great training experience to 'deploy' to the field, whether it's during an exercise or an inspection," said Chief Master Sgt. Sharrell Callaway, 325th Mission Support Squadron superintendent. "By doing so, it makes

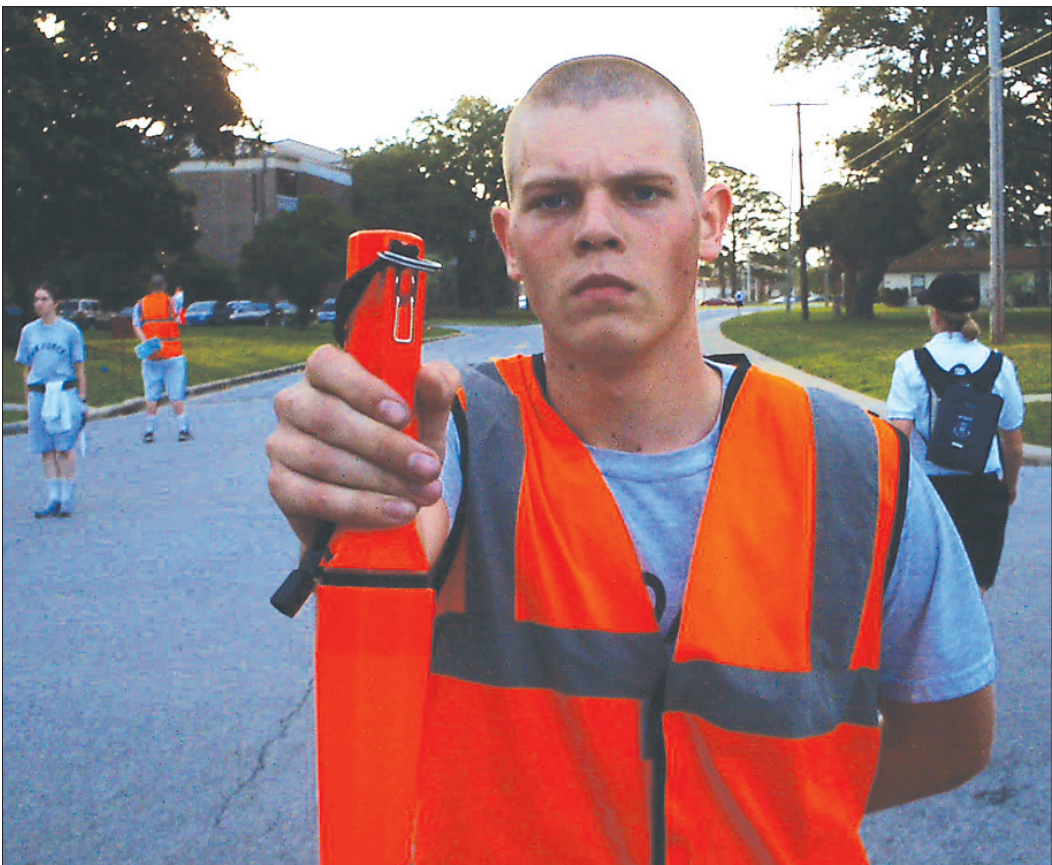
me a better Airman and an even better asset to the Air Force when I have to deploy real-world."

Now, as the inspection is winding down ... it's a waiting game.

Results from the inspection are due to be released Tuesday at the ORI Team's formal outbrief. All Team Tyndall members are invited to attend a highly-charged and enthusiastic briefing presented by the IG in Hangar 2 at 10 a.m. Attendees must be in place no later than 9:45 a.m. Bring your noisemakers, squadron guidons and loudest cheering voice!

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BRIG. GEN. JACK EGGINTON
325th Fighter Wing commander






Cadet Jonathan Kougias

Halt!

Cadet Gary Sain, an Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps cadet with the encampment here, holds out his orange cone to stop traffic for a flight crossing the street. The cadets' days start at 4:45 a.m. with reveille and physical training at 5 a.m. Drivers should exercise caution during these times as the cadets may not be in a well-lit area.

Tyndall's weekend weather forecast

<p>Today</p> <p>Mostly sunny, afternoon seabreeze thunderstorms</p>  <p>High: 89 Low: 73</p>	<p>Saturday</p> <p>Mostly sunny, afternoon seabreeze thunderstorms</p>  <p>High: 89 Low: 73</p>	<p>Sunday</p> <p>Mostly sunny, afternoon seabreeze thunderstorms</p>  <p>High: 89 Low: 73</p>
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Courtesy of the 325th Operations Support Squadron weather flight

ON THE STREET

What does being a Wingman mean to you?



“Being a Wingman means always helping your people when they are in need.”

CAPT. BRAD DeVOE
Base Legal Office



“It means to trust and be trusted by the people you depend on and who depend on you.”

TECH. SGT. THOMAS MOLLOY
325th Civil Engineer Squadron



“It means to always be there for other Airmen.”

SENIOR AIRMAN MATTHEW BOLADO
325th Aeromedical-Dental Squadron



“To be a Wingman means to support my fellow Airmen”

AIRMAN 1ST CLASS JENNI GALINDEZ
325th Communications Squadron

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View from the Top: Initial vector

GEN. WILLIAM R. LOONEY
Air Education and Training Command commander

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AETCNS) — As we join Air Education and Training Command, I wanted to let you know how excited and honored Marilyn and I are to become part of the Team. Excited because the mission is so diverse, dynamic and crucial to the future of our Air Force. Honored because of the magnificent heritage of this great command of service to our Air Force and our country.

My vision for our command is to deliver unrivaled Air and Space training and education. I believe we are already doing that and have done it for some time. However, in this dynamic world of ours, with ever-changing demands and threats, we will constantly be required to adapt our training and education to meet needs and requirements. This will require innovative thinking and flexible approaches.

Our mission is quite simple and straightforward — AETC develops America’s Airmen today ... for tomorrow. We do that by recruiting the force, training the force and

educating the force. Although the words are easy to say and write, the challenge to make this a reality is huge and demands great professionals to “make it happen.” Fortunately, we are blessed in AETC with highly motivated, uniquely talented, and totally dedicated warriors who “make it happen” every day.

As I begin my tour, I am committed to taking care of your professional, personal and family needs. You and all those like you represent the very best of our nation, and you deserve the very best in return. It is my great privilege and honor to serve with you, and I look forward to the outstanding contributions we will make together to our Nation.



Courtesy photo
Gen. William R. Looney took command of the Air Education and Training Command June 17.

When change happens, go with a positive attitude

MAJ. KEVIN PAYNE
435th Communications Squadron

RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany (AFPN) — We’ve all heard the saying, “The only thing constant is change.”

Despite the fact that change is always occurring around us, some people don’t like change and often resist it as much as possible.

Resistance can easily evolve into negative behavior that affects performance. Even worse, negative behavior can become contagious and spread through a unit, affecting co-workers.

Adapting to change is

essential for a unit to maintain high morale and to effectively accomplish the mission.

When I entered the Air Force in 1992 after the Cold War ended, a massive military manpower reduction was under way and large reorganizations were taking place. Thirteen years later, we easily can see that those changes to our force structure were necessary.

For example, integrating the Strategic Air Command and Tactical

“We must not only adapt quickly when a change occurs, but also learn to see it coming.”

MAJ. KEVIN PAYNE
435th Communications Squadron

Air Command into the Air Combat Command was a smart move to better integrate combat operations. During that transition, however, there were many skeptics and a lot of uncertainty.

Unfortunately, it is hard to always embrace organizational change while it

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Action Line:
VA clinic will not open without proper funding

Q - What happened to the Veterans Affairs clinic that was supposed to open at Tyndall last fall?

A - The VA Clinic was originally scheduled to open last fall, and we had a signed sharing agreement with the organization. In fact, the old pediatric clinic building was set up to house the VA clinic, and the VA planned to staff it with internal medicine and family practice providers.

However, when the VA received its fiscal year 2005 funding, it lost all its money for new clinics and were therefore unable to open as planned. The building remains available, but if the VA does not get its funding reinstated for new clinics, then the Tyndall clinic will remain on hold. We will publicize any changes in the situation as they become available. Thank you for your call.

Action Line
Call 283-2255

BRIG. GEN. JACK EGGINTON
325th Fighter Wing commander

The Action Line is your direct line to me. It is one way to make Tyndall a better place to work and live.

The goal is to provide you with an accurate, timely response. You must leave your name, phone number or address to receive a response.

Questions or comments of general interest will be published in this forum. This avenue should only be used after coordinating problems or concerns with supervisors, commanders, first sergeants or facility managers.

If you’re not satisfied with the response or you are unable to resolve the problem, call me at 283-2255.

For fraud, waste and abuse calls, you should talk to the 325th Fighter Wing Inspector General’s Office, 283-4646.

Calls concerning energy abuse should be referred to the energy hot line, 283-3995.

Below are more phone numbers that help you in resolving any issues with a base agency.

Commissary	283-4825
Pass and I.D.	283-4191
Medical and Dental	283-7515
MEO	283-2739

MPF	283-2276
SFS Desk Sgt.	283-2254
Services	283-2501
Legal	283-4681
Housing	283-2036
CDC	283-4747
Wing Safety	283-4231
Area Defense Counsel	283-2911
Finance	283-4117
Civil Engineer	283-4949
Civilian Personnel	283-3203
Base Information	283-1113

Thank you for helping me improve Tyndall and I look forward to hearing from you.

Erasing hate starts with three simple rules

SENIOR MASTER SGT. GRACE EASTHAM
325th Fighter Wing Military Equal Opportunity

Recently, according to police, three large crosses, seven feet tall and four feet wide, were burned in separate spots around the city of Durham, North Carolina, in a span of just over an hour. It was reported that yellow flyers with Ku Klux Klan information on them were found at one location.

Unfortunately this is not an isolated incident in the United States today, but it does illustrate a lingering indication of hatred that dates back to the early 20th century. This story made national news and is still under investigation, but it caused me to wonder if stories like this make people think or act differently.

I suppose if one were a closet racist, he or she might give out a faint cheer at the intent to intimidate. If you, or your family or close friends are of the “hated” race, you might think twice about what happened, why it happened, and be glad it didn’t happen closer to home. But I think we all know by now that there are hate groups for every demographic known to mankind.

So what are we supposed to do with the news and information about unlawful

discrimination, sexual harassment and hate crimes? As members of the military and civilian federal service, we know the policies regarding equal opportunity and leadership’s commitment to zero tolerance. We know we can confront the issues one on one, through the chain of command or through the equal opportunity office. What more can we do? Should we be doing more?

Years ago, I vaguely remember attending a formal luncheon. I don’t remember the occasion, but I still remember the gist of the speaker’s words. The speech basically focused on three rules by which to live your life or a lesson for life.

Rule 1: Start where you are now. Rule 2: Use what you have. Rule 3: Do the best you can now.

The speaker tied these rules into three groups of people who were asked to build a house. One group whined and whined

and didn’t have the right tools, so they didn’t even start the project. Another group had a lot of motivation, but lacked teamwork, and they didn’t get too far before they gave up.

And as you probably guessed, the last group followed the three rules. They looked around at the resources readily available and at those who were ready to assist, and started right away. They didn’t wait for everything to get in place; they used what they had available and ordered what they needed to finish the project. They used what expertise they had and also consulted an expert. While they did not think at first they could do a good job, they did their best, and come to think of it, they probably would not have been given the project if someone did not think they could do it.

So of course, the speech had a happy ending, but what does this have to do with

cross burnings and the question of what more can we do about discrimination and sexual harassment?

I’ll tell you, the three rules can basically be applied to almost any situation including this one.

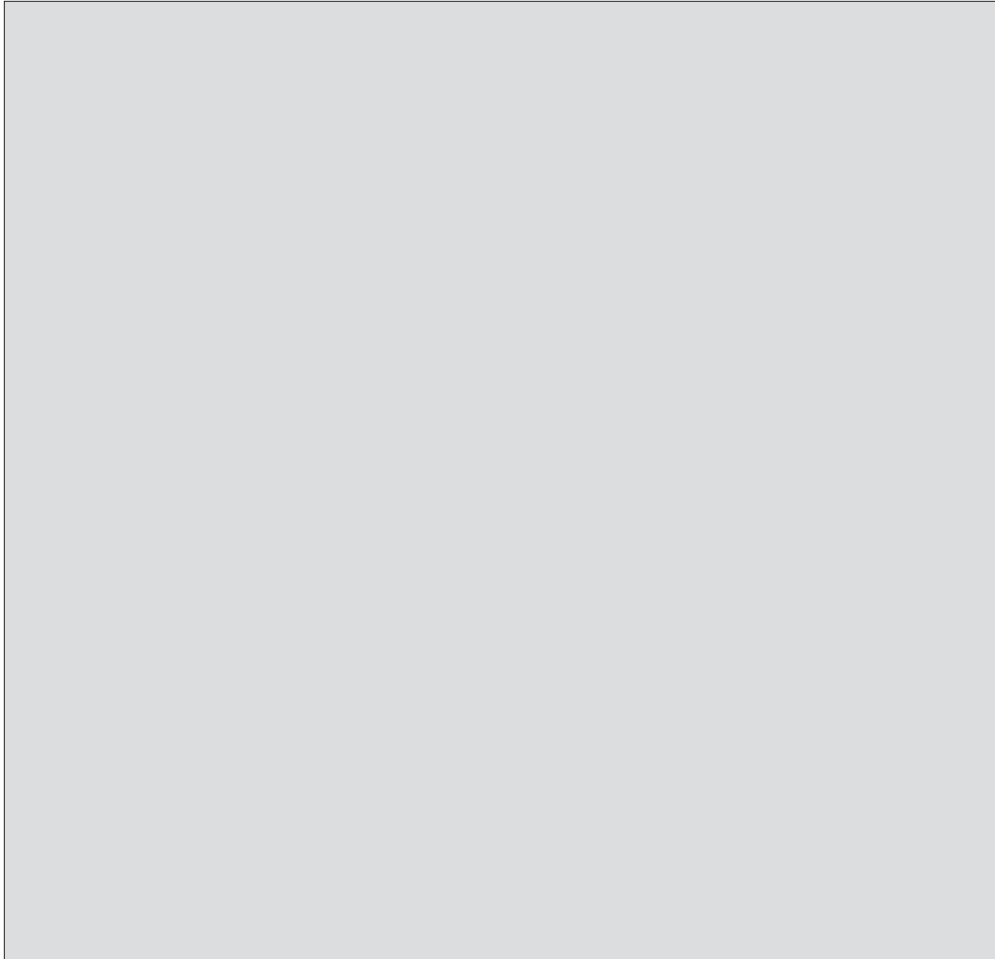
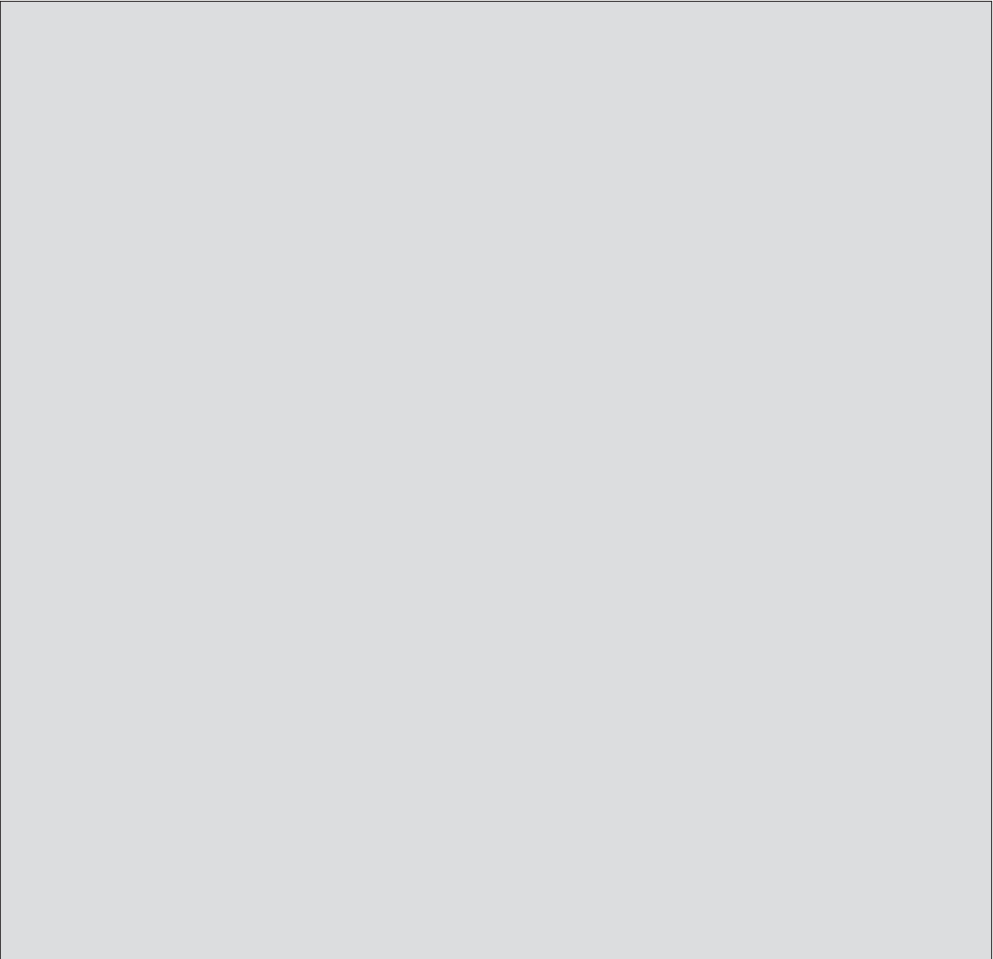
Rule 1: Start where you are now. When we read, hear or see an injustice just thinking about it is a start and then asking yourself what you can do to make this situation better.

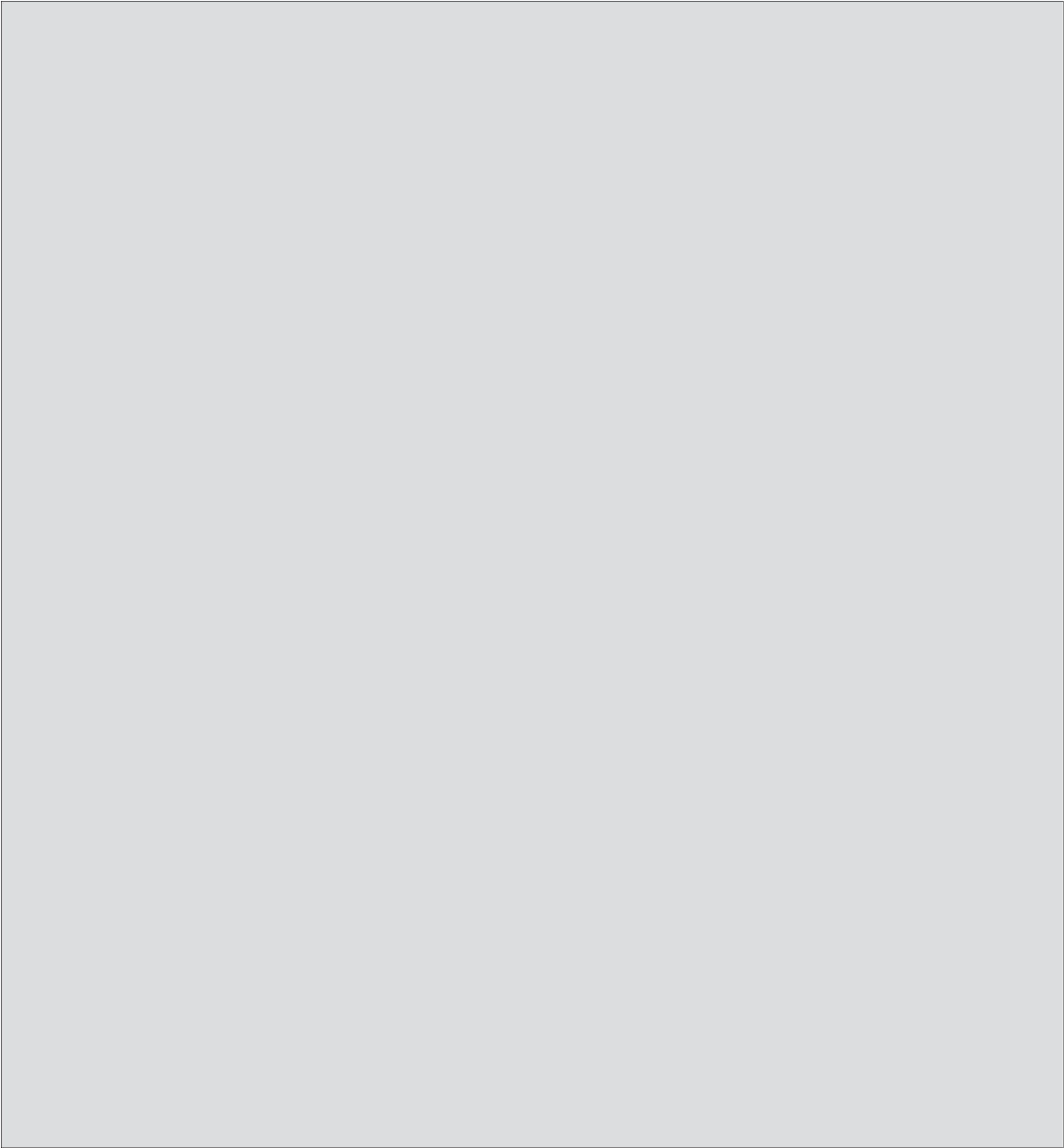
Rule 2: Use what you have. You can’t change the world but you do have tremendous influence in your work area no matter what your rank, grade or position. Make sure your visual aids are up to date and everyone knows and follows the policy regarding equal opportunity. One of the most effective tools to use is yourself as a good example for others to follow.

Rule 3: Do the best you can now. If there is a situation going on in the workcenter, don’t wait and hope it will go away. That is not doing your best. Communicate with whoever is causing the situation and contact someone who can fix the problem. Communication is the most effective and necessary tool in dealing with human relations issues, including unlawful discrimination and sexual harassment.



Graphic illustration by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Rojek





Gen. Looney takes command of AETC

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AETCNS) — Gen. William R. Looney III became Air Education and Training Command’s commander here June 17 taking the helm of the Air Force’s “First Command.”

General John P. Jumper, Air Force chief of staff, presided at the flightline ceremony, which was attended by more than 1,200 people.

General Looney comes to AETC after commanding the Aeronautical Systems Center at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. He also served as commander of the Electronic Systems Center at Hanscom AFB, Mass.; 14th Air Force at Vandenberg AFB, Calif.; the Space Warfare Center at Schriever AFB, Colo.; the 1st Fighter Wing at Langley AFB, Va.;

The Department of Defense recently announced resumption of its Anthrax Vaccine Immunization Program under the conditions set forth in the emergency use authorization issued by the Food and Drug Administration Jan. 27.

The U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia granted the government’s motion April 6 to modify the court’s AVIP injunction against mandatory anthrax vaccination from

and the 33rd Fighter Wing at Eglin AFB.

As commander of AETC, General Looney is responsible for recruiting, training and educating Air Force people. His command includes Air Force Recruiting Service, two numbered air forces and Air University. AETC consists of 13 bases, more than 66,000 active-duty members and 15,000 civilians.

During the ceremony, General Jumper also recognized the achievements of the command and its previous commander, General Donald G. Cook.

AETC was presented the Organizational Excellence Award for “exceptionally meritorious service” from Oct. 1, 2002 through Sept. 30, 2004. During this period the command, which oversees the professional training and education of nearly 500,000

people annually, established the Combat Convoy Course, developed the first Air Force UH-1H and Huey II maintenance statement of work saving the Air Force an estimated 30 million dollars and benchmarked Safety’s Command Mentorship program causing a 25 percent reduction in motorcycle mishaps, according to the award citation.

General Cook received the Distinguished Service Medal for his work as the AETC commander and was retired during the ceremony after 36 years of Air Force service.

The event concluded with a flyover of four T-38 Talons in a symbolic tribute to the Air Force careers of General Cook and General Looney – both of whom received their wings after completing flying training in the T-38.



Courtesy photo

Gen. William R. Looney III accepts command of Air Education and Training Command from Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John P. Jumper at Randolph Air Force Base, Texas, June 17. More than 1,200 people attended the change of command ceremony.

DOD resumes anthrax program

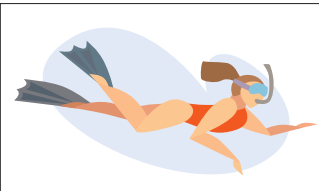
AIRMAN 1ST CLASS SARAH McDOWELL
325th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

Oct. 27, 2004. This modification allows the department to resume its anthrax vaccine program to prevent inhalation anthrax for designated personnel.

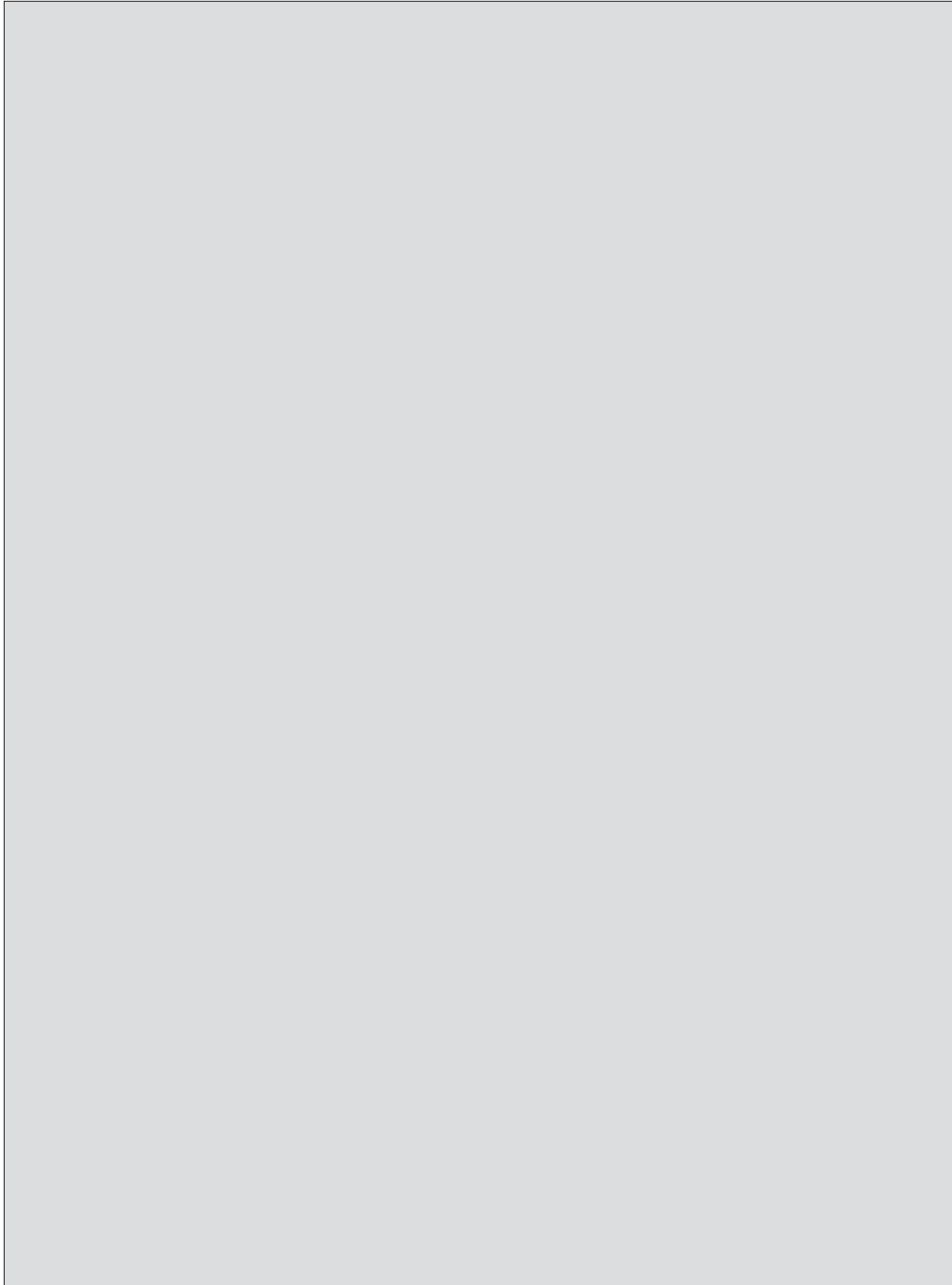
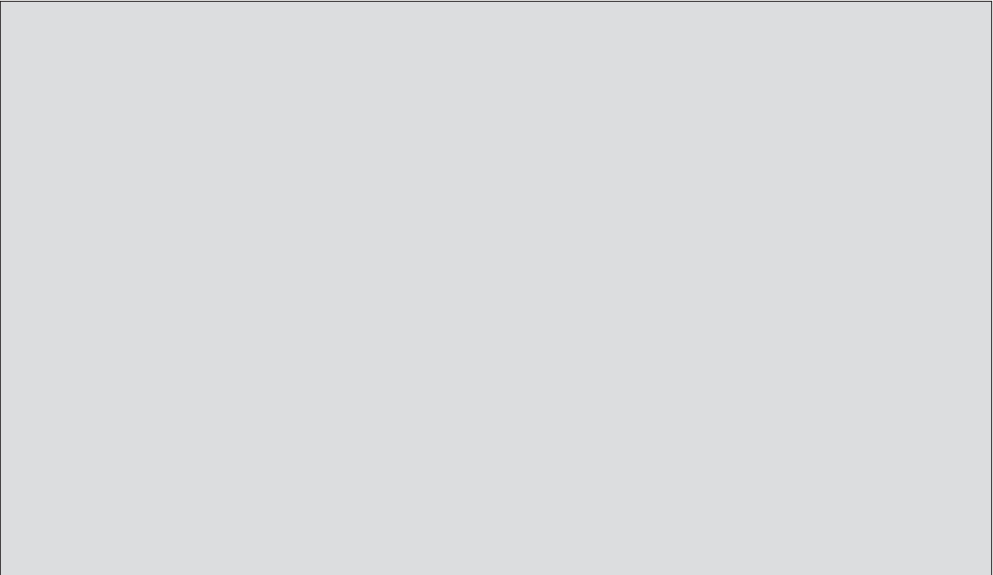
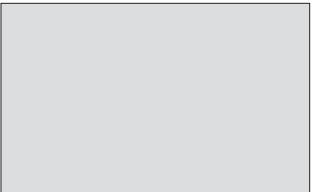
The vaccine is now available at Tyndall for Airmen who are deploying or moving to a place where the anthrax threat is elevated.

“We received approval to resume the program under emergency use authorization from military vaccinations June 6,” said Capt.

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Every member of Team Tyndall is valuable. Play it safe, don't become a statistic.



Airman convicted for drug use

CAPT. ROB CARIDAD

Base Legal Office

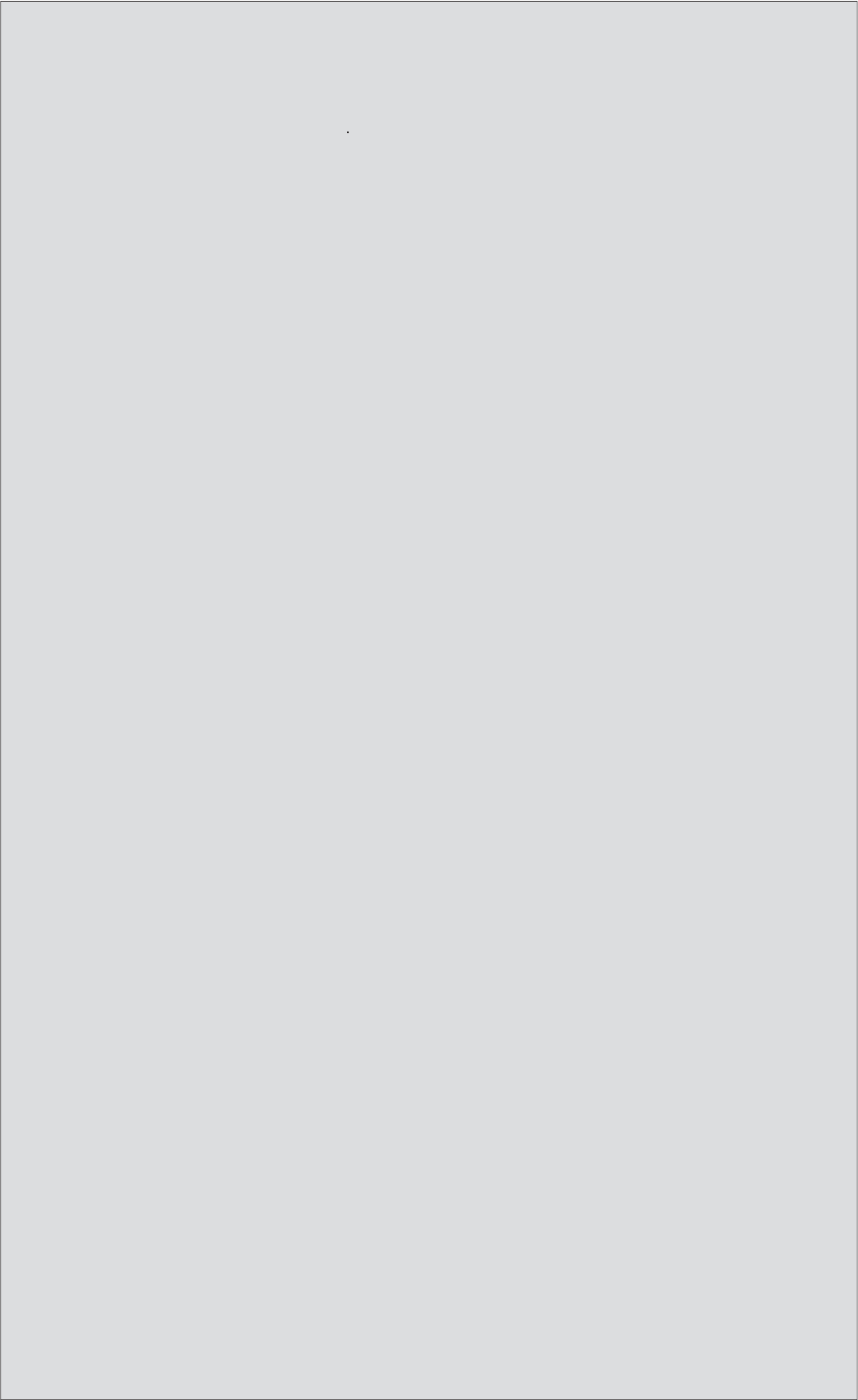
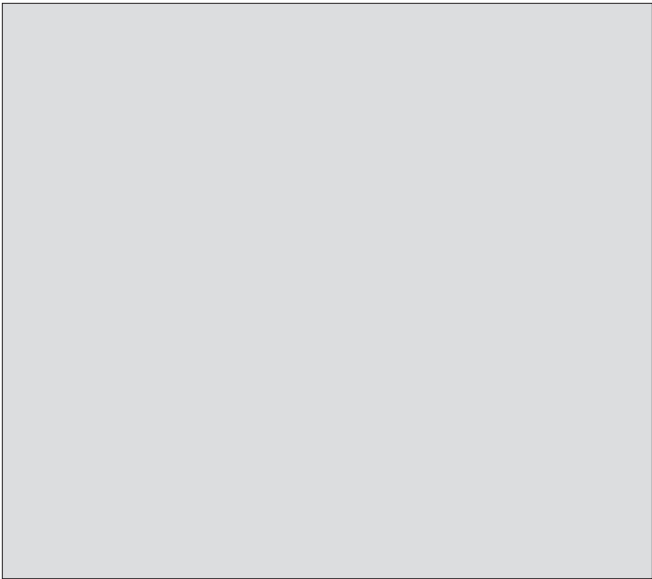
A Tyndall Airman was convicted of drug-related charges during a general court martial here June 9-10. The trial was the last in a series of courts martial, at which four friends and co-workers were all convicted of violations of Article 112a of the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

Airman 1st Class John F. Alley III, 325th Operations Support Squadron, pled guilty before a military judge, admitting to a series of drug offenses, as well as passing bad checks and breaking restriction.

The court martial is the fourth this year at Tyndall in which a defendant was convicted of drug use and was the culmination of three separate OSI investigations. In addition to convictions for the use of marijuana, ecstasy, and cocaine, Airman Alley was also found guilty of distributing ecstasy, passing \$4,500 in bad checks at AAFES facilities and disobeying a commander’s order by breaking restriction.

After reviewing documentary evidence, taking testimony from prosecution and defense witnesses and receiving an unsworn statement from Airman Alley, the judge heard arguments from both the government and the defense counsel. Upon deliberation, the judge returned a sentence of sixteen months in confinement, reduction in rank to airman basic and a bad conduct discharge.

In addition to confinement, Airman Alley will be stripped of his rank, and the punitive discharge will result in the loss of his veteran’s benefits.



Optometry Clinic open only to active duty

1ST LT. ERIN RACE
325th Medical Group

Due to revised manning levels, the Tyndall Optometry Clinic has been forced to restrict appointments to active duty members only starting July 1.

However, all appointments that are currently scheduled for patients will be kept. Non-active duty patients making new appointments will be required to find care elsewhere.

“We understand that this may cause confusion and frustration to some of our optometry patients,” said, Col. Sean Murphy, 325th Medical Group commander, “and we apologize for the inconvenience it may cause. We always do our very best to provide quality care to our patients, and would like to make the transition to our downtown providers a positive experience.”

Tricare Prime active duty family

members are eligible for one annual comprehensive eye examination per calendar year, and do not incur a cost share as long as a network provider is used.

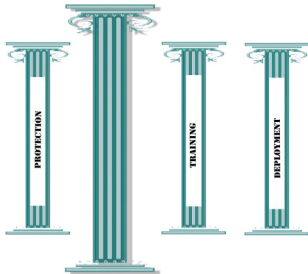
Tricare Prime retirees and their family members are eligible for one comprehensive eye exam every two years, and do not incur a cost share as long as a network provider is used.

For those active duty members in Tricare Standard, family members are eligible for one annual eye exam with no cost share incurred. Tricare Standard retirees and their family members are not eligible for vision benefits under the Standard plan unless it’s related to a medical issue.

Tricare for Life members are not eligible for routine eye exam coverage, but certain screenings and routine care for patients with certain medical issues may be covered under Medicare and/or Tricare for Life.

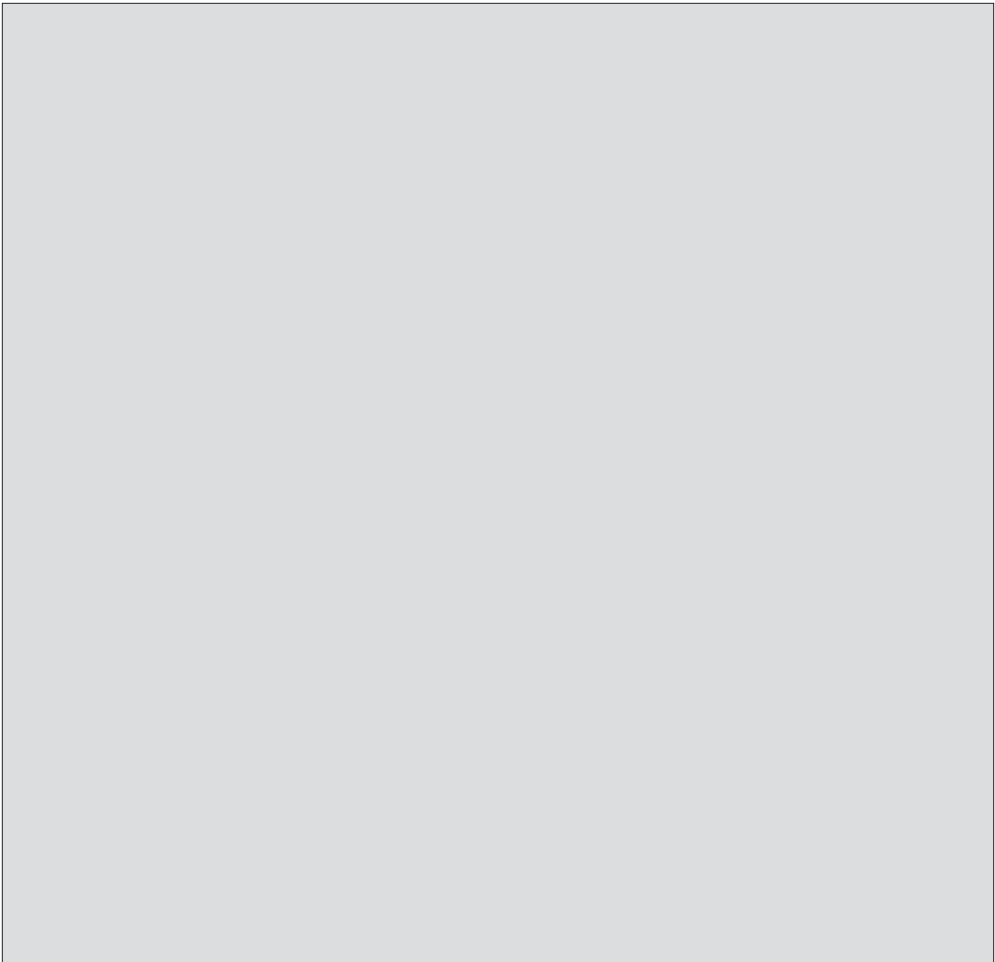
The most up-to-date listing of Tricare network providers can be found on the web at <http://hmd.humana-military.com/South/main.asp>. You may also call Humana toll-free at (800) 444-5445 for assistance. Medicare participating providers can be found online by visiting www.medicare.gov or by calling (800) 633-4227. Benefit questions can be directed to Humana at (800) 444-5445, the Tricare Service Center behind the Tyndall Pharmacy, or by calling 283-7331.

FORCE SUSTAINMENT



Change of Command

Col. James Van Antwerp, 325th Maintenance Group commander, will relinquish command to Col. Brett Haswell at 8 a.m. Thursday in Hangar 2. Stadium seating will be provided.



Need tax assistance after deployment?

Tyndall’s Tax Program is still in operation for Airmen just returning from deployment who need to have their taxes done.

According to the Internal Revenue Service, Reservists called to active duty and active duty enlistees in the armed forces may qualify for a deferral of taxes owed if they can show that their ability to pay taxes was affected by their military service. The Servicemembers Civil Relief Act provides this benefit. The deferral applies to taxes that were due before or during military service, and extends the payment deadline to six months after the military service ends. No interest or penalty accrues during the deferral period. The deferral is not automatic. A taxpayer must apply for it. Details of applying for the tax payment deferral are in IRS Publication 3, Armed Forces’ Tax Guide, which is available on the IRS Web site, www.irs.com, or by calling toll-free (800) 829-3676.

Listed below are the names, phone numbers and location of the tax program representative still available to assist Tyndall Airmen:

Sharon Allen, 1st Fighter Squadron, 283-4512
Staff Sgt. April Couch 325th Maintenance Group, 283-8137
Master Sgt. Michael Crow, 823rd RED HORSE Squadron, 283-8730
Florence Diaz, HQ Air Force Civil Engineer Support Agency, 283-6534
Donna Hufschmidt, 325th Comptroller Squadron, 283-3265
Vermell Moore, 325th Comptroller Squadron, 283-2956
Maj. Debra Richlin, Air Force Research Laboratory, 283-6016
Staff Sgt. Lakieta Smith, 83rd Fighter Weapons Squadron, 283-3701
Capt. Katrina Terry, 53rd Weapons Evaluation Group, 283-3016
Robbie Troupe, Base Legal Office, 283-4681



Air Force improving Force Protection

STAFF SGT. CHYENNE A. GRIFFIN
Combined Air Operations Center Public Affairs

SOUTHWEST ASIA (AFPN) – Protecting military people or equipment is not a new thing in the Air Force, but the way it is being done is. More and more emphasis is being placed on how the Air Force does force protection business and the effects are being seen at home bases servicewide and the U.S. Central Command's area of responsibility.

"We're facing a huge mindset change Air Force-wide," said Col. Brad Spacy, Central Command Air Forces force protection director. "It's a cultural change Air Force-wide to an expeditionary mindset ... and the expeditionary mindset is all about everything we do."

"Security forces and (Office of Special Investigations agents) have had a piece of this puzzle for quite some time now," the colonel said. "We're now trying to spread that knowledge out across the service and give everyone a piece of the bigger picture."

The three top issues on Colonel Spacy's

plate are base defense, force protection intelligence and foreign worker management, he said.

Base defense changes include a push for more ground combat skills training for Airmen who are most likely to see ground combat. Airmen who take the training should take it seriously, and for those who do not receive it, Colonel Spacy said to try and get it.

Force protection intelligence has a movement under way toward "predictive analysis" — taking information received on a global level and applying it to the lowest level at individual bases.

Airmen have been active gatherers of information for quite some time, but more training is needed to properly analyze and use that information to predict a future threat, Colonel Spacy said.

"We can talk all day long about the day-to-day threats out there and collect information on what's happened so far and how we should protect our local assets," he said. "But by receiving and piecing together information on a more connected level, we



1st Lt. Albert Bosco

Airmen with the 325th Security Forces Squadron salute after checking the identification of a driver coming through the main gate here recently. While security forces members are trained to guard and protect Tyndall, the Air Force is working to improve the ground combat skills of all Airmen.

can predict a possible car bomb ... and provide more pinpointed security to protect against that attack."

A new system is also under review to manage local employees and foreign workers who work daily on Air Force installations. Management of these assets is a big

force protection concern, Colonel Spacy said.

"We're working hard to push this change," he said. "Normal force protection issues turn into real deaths ... you really might actually use that gun. It's real now; this is the difference between life and death for you and others."

Checkertail Salute

Airman 1st Class Mark Reith



Lisa Norman

Airman Reith receives the Checkertail Salute Warrior of the Week award from Brig. Gen. Jack Egginton, 325th Fighter Wing commander.

The Checkertail Clan salutes Airman Reith, 325th Aeromedical-Dental Squadron aerospace physiology technician. He diligently administered the Air Education and Training Command fitness test to 38 pilots and prepared crews for flight's high-gravity environment, accomplishing a 96 percent pass rate. He also conducted five unit tours to more than 100 community leaders and members.

Duty title: Aerospace physiology technician

Time on station: Eighteen months

Time in service: Two years

Hometown: Flint, Mich.

Hobbies: Movies, music, drawing and school

Goals: Complete nursing degree and get commissioned

Favorite movie: "Spider-Man"

Favorite book: "Art of War" by Sun Tzu

Favorite thing about Tyndall:

Beaches

Proudest moment in the military:

Graduating combat survival school

The Checkertail Salute is a 325th Fighter Wing commander program designed to recognize Tyndall's Warrior of the Week. Supervisors can nominate individuals via their squadron and group commanders. Award recipients receive a certificate, letter from the commander and a one-day pass.

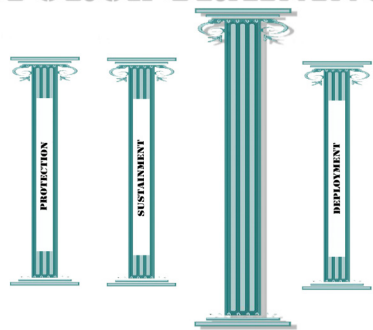
The Gulf Defender is published for people like Airman Johnathan Carman, 1st Aircraft Maintenance Unit crew chief.



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FORCE TRAINING



Training Spotlight

Where is your first duty assignment going to be?

“Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C. I’m from the West Coast, so living in the east will be different.”



AIRMAN BASIC

KENNETH TRUJILLO

372nd Training Squadron/Detachment 4
Mission Ready Airmen student

Student Focus

Eagle sims offer high-tech training

1ST LT. ALBERT BOSCO

325th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

The pilot climbs into the cockpit of an electronic F-15 Eagle for his first ride. This is cool, he thinks, as he looks around the cockpit's interior.

The instructor begins briefing procedures, then the student taxis and begins his takeoff roll. Suddenly something goes wrong. He has to abort his takeoff. The “world” around him freezes, and the instructor tells the student, “Let’s try that again.”

Fortunately, it's just a simulator flight to prepare the new F-15 B-Course student for his first actual Eagle flight. In fact, everything the pilot learns throughout the B-Course is taught and practiced in the simulators before getting into the actual aircraft.

“Student pilots fly four simulator missions before they get their first F-15 ride,” said Marty Hendrickson, an instructional systems specialist for Tyndall’s F-15 training program here. “The simulator flights help us to make sure the students have the basic skills required to fly the aircraft and are prepared to deal with any emergencies that may arise.”

Throughout an Eagle pilot's 125-day training program, he'll fly 35 simulator missions, including eight flights before soloing the Eagle, for a total of about 50 hours. Once the student solos, the remaining simulator flights are mixed into the flying syllabus at various points in the course.

An amazing aspect of the simulator training here, though, is the level of realism provided. According to Mr. Hendrickson, the simulators

provide a realistic training environment with one exception – the students can't feel the force of gravity acting upon them during maneuvers.

“The sim doesn’t pull Gs like the aircraft, and if the student crashes he gets to climb out in one piece. Therefore we make sure they are taught the same discipline that’s required in the aircraft so they don’t take negative skills to the flightline,” Mr. Her-

Even with the gravity limitations, Mr. Hendrickson said the simulators are a huge leap forward from the way training was previously accomplished.

“Prior to getting full mission trainers, we had to teach in operational flight trainers that offered no visual system, so once the canopy closed the student would be alone in the dark practicing radar work at beyond visual range,” Mr. Hendrickson said. “The student couldn’t practice “fighting” up-close, and we couldn’t even teach takeoff and landing procedures. With the new visual system, though, we can teach basically everything that the aircraft can do.”

In fact, Mr. Hendrickson said all four of the simulators can be linked together, and each has



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Capt. Daniell Cannon, a B-Course student with the 95th Fighter Squadron, gets an F-15 Eagle cockpit familiarization from Dave Simpson, an instructor with Lockheed-Martin.

the Fighter Data Link, which allows a pilot in another simulator to see the same radar picture as his wingman. Additionally, students can now train with night vision goggles, which is important preparation for the actual night sorties the students will fly with the goggles.

Mr. Hendrickson added the simulators offer a cost-saving benefit to the training program.

“Before we got the visual system and the capability to link the sims, we had to send every student to Luke AFB to learn basic fighter maneuvers in the ACES simulator, which took a week out of the course here,” he said. “Now that we have the visual system, we’re saving a lot of money on TDY costs, and we’re able to provide the same training in one and a half hours, so the student is ready to go back to the squadron by noon rather than seven days later.”

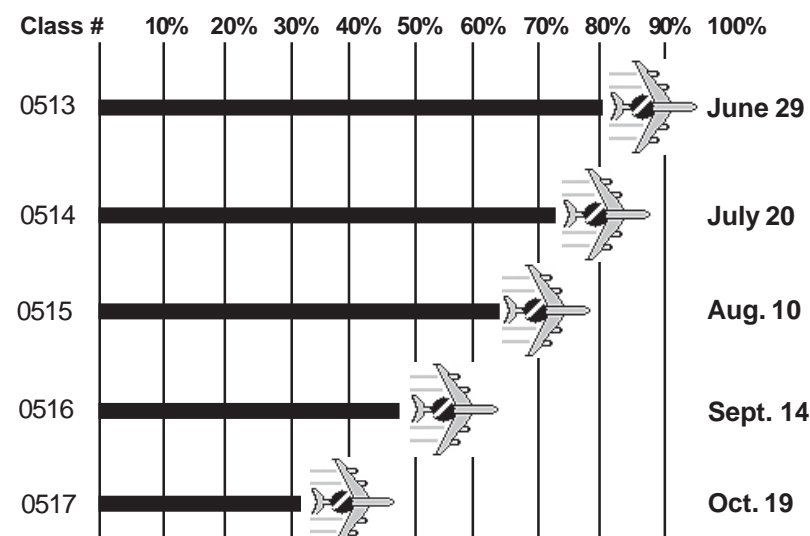
Right T.O.

Airman 1st Class Josh Ensor, 372nd Training Squadron/Detachment 4 Mission Ready Airmen student, studies his technical orders and forms book during class here recently. The student is with Class 2005002, which graduates today. The class is the last to go through the squadron until August.



Staff Sgt. Benjamin Rojek

Air Battle Manager student progress chart





Staff Sgt. Colby Sydnor, Air Force Repair Enhancement Program technician, repairs an F-15 Eagle's 8 mm camera interface cable. It would cost the 325th Fighter Wing about \$1,200 to purchase a new cable, but Sergeant Sydnor can repair them for about \$50.

STORY AND PHOTOS BY 1ST LT.

ALBERT BOSCO

325th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

One man's trash may be another man's treasure, and the saying brings a whole new meaning for a small group of Airmen, who run the 325th Fighter Wing's Air Force Repair Enhancement Program here, formerly Gold Flag.

Hidden away in a small office on the Tyndall AFB flightline, a six-person team from various specialties, such as avionics, electro-environmental and supply, collects and repairs miscellaneous aircraft parts, electronics and almost anything else people might ordinarily throw away once they break.

It may be hard to believe, but collecting trash and then fixing it saves the Air Force a lot of money. In fact, in fiscal year 2004, the team saved Tyndall and

the Air Force about \$600,000.

"Our job is to repair parts that the Air Force would otherwise have to either buy new from the manufacturer or find a similar off-the-shelf item," said Master Sgt. Daniel Jones, Tyndall's AFREP manager. "Every Air Force Base has a similar program."

Sergeant Jones said the program focuses on cost avoidance, which in some cases can mean a huge savings to the base and the Air Force in general, as well

Tyndall Airmen man's trash to s

as saving time and retaining mission capability.

"Some of the things we fix on a regular basis are the 8 mm cameras and event markers on F-15 Eagles, circuit boards and flameholders for the F-15's engines," Sergeant Jones said.

The amount of money saved is huge when compared to having to buy the parts new, or in some cases, as is with the cameras, they are no longer manufactured, he added.

"The cameras cost about \$700 when we could get them new, Sergeant Jones said. "But since they aren't available anymore, we found a contractor who is willing to repair the cameras for us for free and even offer a warranty."

"What we primarily do, and what we really like doing, is fixing things people can't get anywhere else," he added. "If they don't get it from us, where are they going to go?"

But saving \$700 on each camera is nothing compared to the savings the wing reaps from the event markers the shop repairs.

"The event markers are used to record head's up display information as well as the pilot's voice during engagements," said Tech. Sgt. John Goerke, also an AFREP manager. "When they quit working, it costs about \$38,000 for a new one. Well, we discovered it's the same thing that breaks in them and we can get the parts to repair them for under \$5."

And the savings don't stop there. In fact, one of the shop's highlights is its aircraft video



Tech. Sgt. John Goerke, an AFREP manager, repairs an F-15 Eagle's video event recorder. It would cost the wing about \$38,000 to purchase new. The parts are breaking and can repair

tape recorder mock-up test bench, which allows the technicians to test repaired equipment right there in the shop.

"There's such a sense of accomplishment. I used to take stuff apart as a kid, and like that, only on a much bigger level."

STAFF SGT. COLBY SYDNOR
AFREP technician

"Being able to test these in the shop is huge, since it would be really hard and time consuming to take the recorders out to an aircraft," Sergeant Jones said.

prove it's worth fixing one save Air Force thousands



P manager, tests the circuit card on der. The recorder, which provides s sortie for debriefing, would cost he AFREP team figured out which the recorders for about \$5.

"The process would impact the flying mission, so that isn't likely to happen."

But, Sergeant Goerke was quick to add the unit can't just find things to repair for the sake of repairing them. There are strict guide-

lines in place to prevent overloading of the supply system.

"We have to use what's on the supply shelves first before we can start fixing broken items,"

Sergeant Goerke said. "But, if there is an immediate demand for a part, we can jump on it and make sure one gets done."

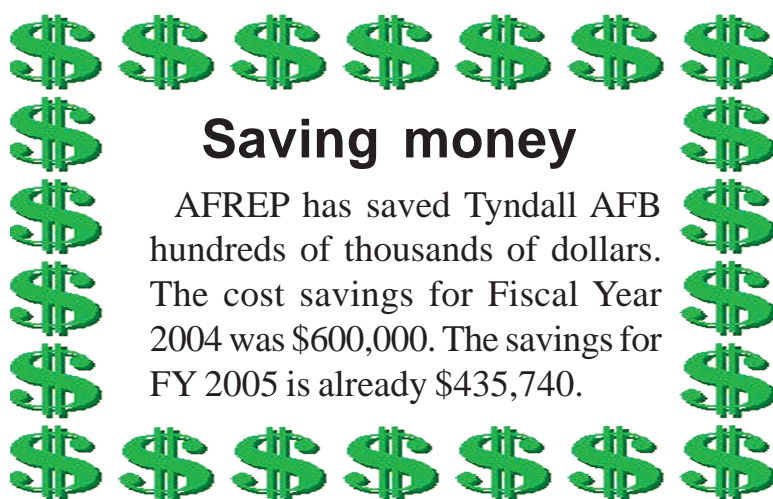
Sergeant Jones compares the program to running a business.

"It's all about being a business man," he said. "It's like running a business because we have to solicit for customers, not only from the maintenance group, but from every organization on base so they'll send us stuff we can fix."

The sergeant added that the shop has fixed overhead projection systems, display face plates and they're even fixing a plasma screen TV.

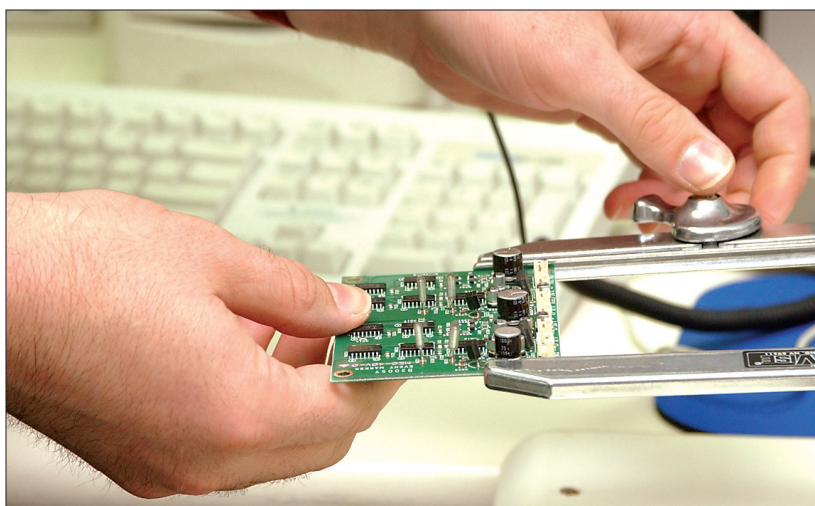
Fixing what some may call junk is a great experience for people like Staff Sgt. Colby Sydnor, an AFREP technician.

"There's such a sense of accomplishment fixing things," he said. "I used to take stuff apart as a kid, and this is just like that only on a much bigger level."



Saving money

AFREP has saved Tyndall AFB hundreds of thousands of dollars. The cost savings for Fiscal Year 2004 was \$600,000. The savings for FY 2005 is already \$435,740.

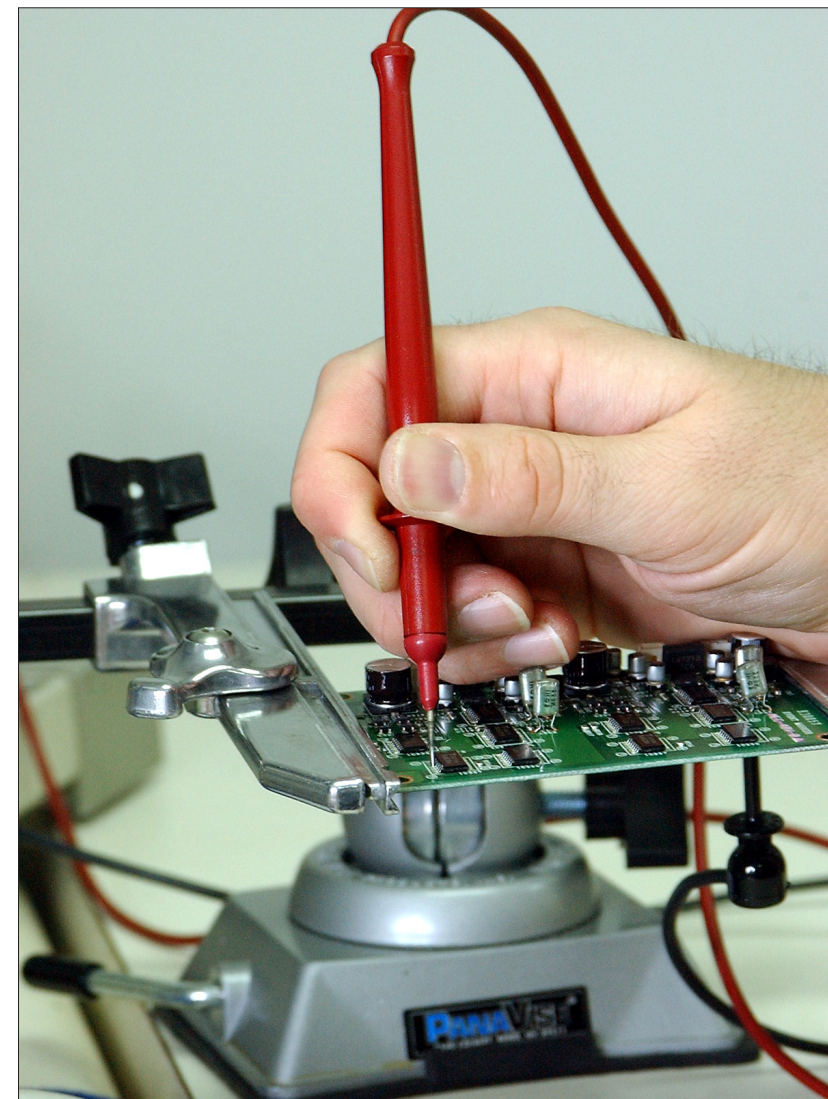


(Above) Sergeant Goerke slides a video event recorder circuit card into a holding bracket for testing. To further save the Air Force time and money, the shop built a test bench to test the recorders, which eliminates the need to test components on actual aircraft.

(Right) Sergeant Goerke checks voltages on components of an event recorder circuit card to determine which components are not working.



Senior Airman Christine Schlotterback, AFREP circuit board repair technician, inventories parts for the shop. The shop maintains thousands of components, from resistors to wire, for nearly any repair application.



Briefs

Software license agreements

All organizations must ensure software is being used according to the license agreement. Depending on the type of license (single user, network, site license, etc.), the license agreement will state how many computers the software may be installed and/or how many users can access the software. Air Force policy allows only licensed, registered software, including freeware/shareware, acquired through government procurement for use on government computers. If you have questions please contact Tech. Sgt. Lance Souther, 325th Communications Squadron base software license manager, at 283-3819.

Survivor Benefit Plan

Retiring members need to build an estate to protect their families from the loss of retirement benefits if they die. The SBP is an inexpensive protection that will ensure their spouse will have guaranteed income for life. Insurance and investment plans have a place in the estate plan of many retiring members, but as a supplement to SBP, not as a replacement for SBP. For more information, call Alicia Gibbons, Tyndall's SBP counselor, at 283-8392.

Gulf Coast Community College

GCCC offers scholarships for eligible active duty military personnel in the amount of \$200 per year. Students with a GPA of 3.5 and above, enrolled in 5-11 hours will be considered. The deadline to apply is July 31.

All GCCC campuses will be closed July 2-4 for Independence Day.

Also, testing will not be available July 18-22 at the Tyndall Education Center. This includes CLEP, DANTES, Excelsior exams, college exams and Professional Military Education exams. For more information, call 283-4332.

ERAU registration

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Fall 2005 Term Registration will be held from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. July 18 through July 22 at the Tyndall Education Center, Bldg. 1230, Room 48. Class dates are Aug. 8 through Oct. 8. For more information, call 283-4557.

Volunteers needed

The Tyndall Volunteer Resource Program serves as the central base resource for volunteer recruitment, placement and recognition. The program assists individuals seeking volunteer opportunities to meet their

volunteer goals and authorized organizations and agencies to recruit qualified volunteers. Volunteers are currently needed at Family Services/Airman's Attic, the Red Cross, Retiree Activities Office, 325th Services Squadron and other locations at Tyndall. For more information, call the Family Support Center at 283-4204/4205.

New Jersey Air National Guard

Those looking to join the NJANG may be eligible to receive a bonus of up to \$15,000 and \$20,000 in student loan repayments. These incentives are being offered to prior service members in select Air Force Specialty Codes. NJANG members are eligible for free college tuition, in both undergraduate and graduate degrees, at all state run colleges and universities; this is in addition to your GI Bill benefits. For more information about this program, contact the 108th Air Refueling Wing's Recruiting Office toll-free at (866) 466-5264, or visit the Web site at www.108arw.ang.af.mil.

Air Force Personnel Contact Center

For questions about personnel programs, information about retraining or how to claim your aging parent as a dependent, log on to the Air Force Personnel Contact Center Web site at <https://webcolab.afpc.randolph.af.mil/Scripts/rightnowdb.cfg/php.exe/enduser/home.php>. The site has a list of frequently asked questions and includes the capability for people to submit their own questions. There is an online chat room with agents available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, excluding certain federal holidays. For those who feel more comfortable talking to a person, they

can e-mail their information and request an agent to call them to discuss any concerns.

Powerful Parenting

The Tyndall Community Center offers Powerful Parenting for Moms and Pops of Tots each Wednesday from 9-10:30 a.m. Bring ideas on how to make this a fun, exciting and educational experience for all. For more information, contact Laurie Campbell at 286-6501 or e-mail znory7@yahoo.com.

Focus 56

Focus 56, an organization made up of staff and technical sergeants, provides a voice for the base's junior NCOs. They are committed to facilitating professionalism and growth throughout Tyndall's enlisted force. Those looking to join this growing organization can come out to the business meetings at 3 p.m. the second Friday of each month at the Enlisted Club, or to the informal socials at 3 p.m. the fourth Friday of each month at the Beacon Beach Marina. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Pompilio Alfaro, Jr., at 283-7019.

Sports physicals

The 325th Medical Group Pediatric Clinic is encouraging parents to book their child's fall sports physical or new school entry physical exam now to avoid the end of summer rush. The Tricare policy allows the clinic up to 28 days to book health care exams. To make an appointment, call 283-2778. For more information, call the clinic at 283-7678.

Thrift Shop hours

Normal hours are 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday-Friday. Consignments are 9:30-

On tape

David Morley, a carpenter for the Sand Dollar Inn, places tape along the edges of a counter to prepare for painting Monday. The Sand Dollar Inn is renovating homes along Tiger Street and Apollo Court in base housing to turn them into temporary lodging facilities. The homes are being furnished with new furniture, as well as repainted and cleaned from top to bottom.



Staff Sgt. Benjamin Rojek

Garage Sale

2775 A Delta Ave.

Garage sales are from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays.

Chapel Schedule**Catholic services**

Daily Mass, 11:30 a.m. Monday-Friday, Chapel Two
Reconciliation, before Saturday Mass or by appointment
Saturday Mass, 5 p.m., Chapel Two
Sunday Mass, 9:30 a.m., Chapel Two
Religious Education, 11 a.m., Bldg. 1476

Protestant services

Traditional worship service, 9:30 a.m., Chapel One
Contemporary worship service, 11 a.m., Chapel Two
Wednesday Fellowship, 5 p.m., Chapel Two

Muslim services

A prayer room will be open for Dhuhr Prayer Monday-Thursday in the Spiritual Maintenance building near the flightline. There will also be Jumauh services at 12:30 p.m. the second and fourth Friday of each month.

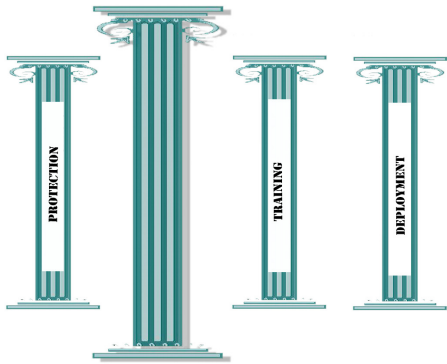


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What a racket

Andy Grimaud prepares to return a volley from Louis South during an intramural tennis match here June 16. Grimaud, with the 325th Air Control Squadron, placed first last year and South, son of Lou South, Tyndall Fitness Center director, placed second.

FORCE SUSTAINMENT



Hostage
6 p.m. Thursday

Haunted by his failure to save a child from a suicidal madman, hostage negotiator Jeff Tally (Bruce Willis) leaves Los Angeles to become police chief of upscale suburb Bristo Camino. But the ghosts of Tally’s previous field come back to haunt him when two brothers and their mysterious traveling companion Mars Krupchek (Ben Foster) take a suburbanite family hostage after a failed robbery. Unbeknownst to the gunmen, their hostage is actually a numbers runner for a West Coast kingpin, and the house contains evidence that put him away. Rated R.

The Amityville Horror
6 p.m. July 7

George & Kathy Lutz and their three children are moving into an elegant Long Island home. What they don’t know is that five savage murders were committed there the year before - Ronald DeFeo Jr., son of a wealthy car dealer, murdered his parents, brothers and sister by shooting them with a rifle in November 1974. No sooner are the Lutzes moved into the house than they begin seeing horrible things - the ghost of Jody DeFeo, horribly disfigured bodies - and hearing ghostly voices throughout the house. Rated R.

(All information courtesy of www.imdb.com. Used with permission.)

Intramural Sports Standings

Softball

National	W	L
TEST	4	0
MOS	4	0
AMXS3	4	0
MDG	4	0
MXS2	2	2
AMXS1	2	2
53rd WEG	2	2
RHS	1	3
83rd FWS1	1	3
SFS	0	4
ACS2	0	4
CPTS	0	4



American	W	L
MXS1	4	0
601st AOG	3	1
CES	3	1
ACS1	3	1
MSS	2	1
AMXS2	2	2
LRD	1	2
AFCESA	1	2
SVS	1	2
CS	1	3
OSS	1	3
83rd FWS2	0	4



Golf



Team	Points
CES	40
AMXS	32.5
372nd TRS	29
SEADS	28.5
CS1	28
CONR1	28
AFCESA	27.5
53rd WEG	23
RHS	20
MSS	18.5
OSS	18
CS2	18
83rd FWS	17
MXS	14
SVS	12.5
ACS	8.5
CONR2	8

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is occurring because most of us don't want to modify our work environment.

But, change happens. The Air Force must change the way it organizes, trains and equips its Airmen in order to adapt to changing threats, political climate and technology. Unit reorganizations, force shaping and base closures may appear negative at first but, given time, the benefits shine through.

We must not only adapt quickly when a change occurs but also learn to see it coming. This is why companies that foresee the changing economic market and respond to it succeed, whereas companies that refuse to change ultimately fail.

The Air Force and major commands will continue to reorganize in order to better accomplish the mission. We need to look at the overall benefits that the change brings and do our part to ensure its implementation occurs as seamlessly as possible.

Embrace change with a positive attitude. Working together as a cohesive team will ensure our continued success as the world leader in air and space power.

FOD Finder of the Month



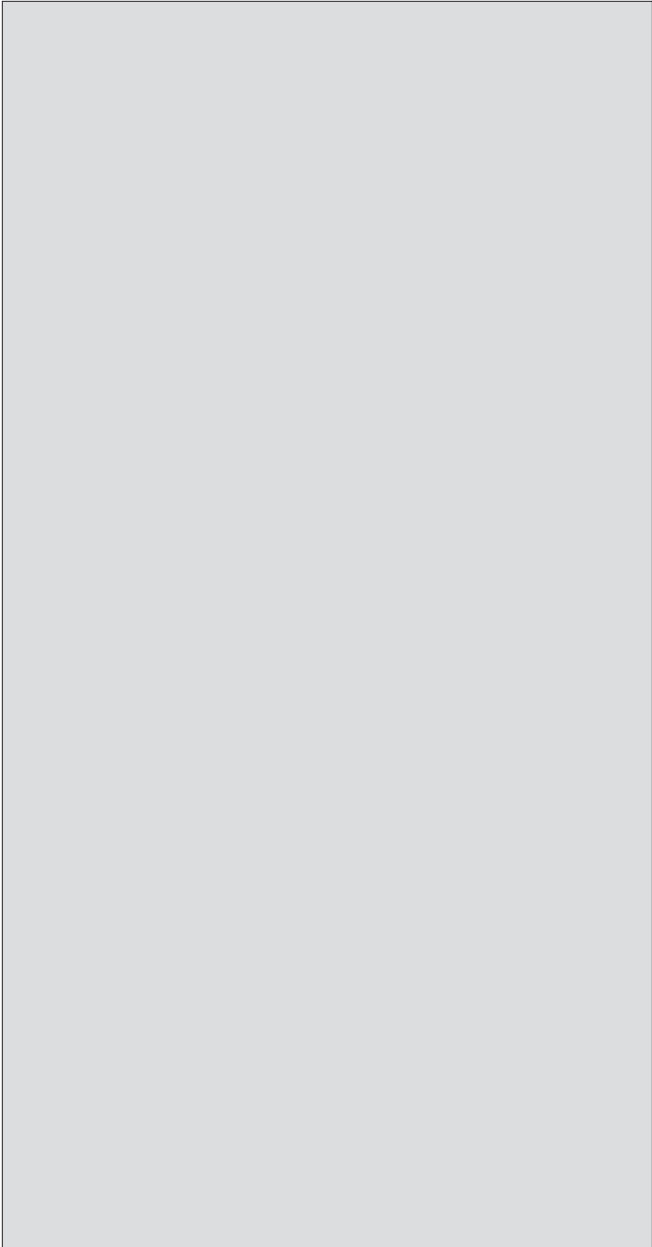
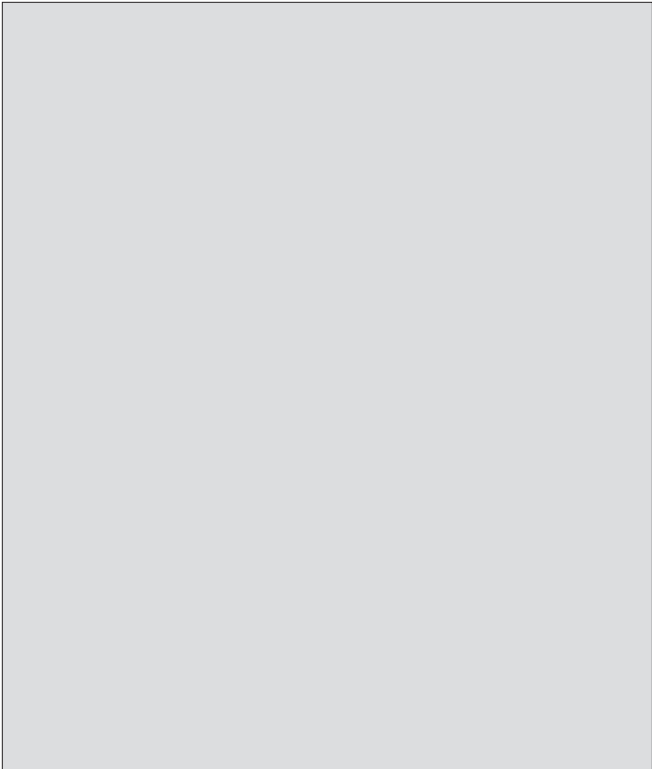
1st Lt. Albert Bosco
Senior Airman Christopher Nielsen, a 43rd Aircraft Maintenance Unit crew chief, inspects the landing gear of an F/A-22 Raptor here recently. He is the newest FOD Finder of the Month. Airman Nielsen found a clamp on the taxiway in front of the 43rd AMU.



This week in Air Force history ...
June 20, 1923: The Army's first all-metal airplane, the CO-1, made its first flight.



June 21, 1930: Randolph Field at San Antonio, Texas, dedicated.

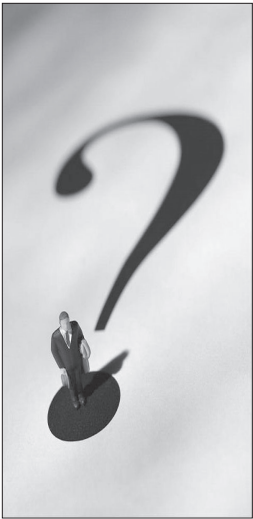


Did you know ...

Military members can go to the Air Force Personnel Center Web site at www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/retsepcalc/eomain.asp to answer such questions as: How will another few years of service affect retirement benefits? Is a promotion or PCS worth the active duty service commitment? Is the Survivor Benefit Plan enough to provide for your family should something happen to you?

The only information needed to log on is the servicemember's date of rank and pay date. The Web site will automatically calculate the amount a servicemember will receive on his retirement checks based on rank and years of service.

This information can be used to better plan for the future.



AAFES helps with July 4 troop support

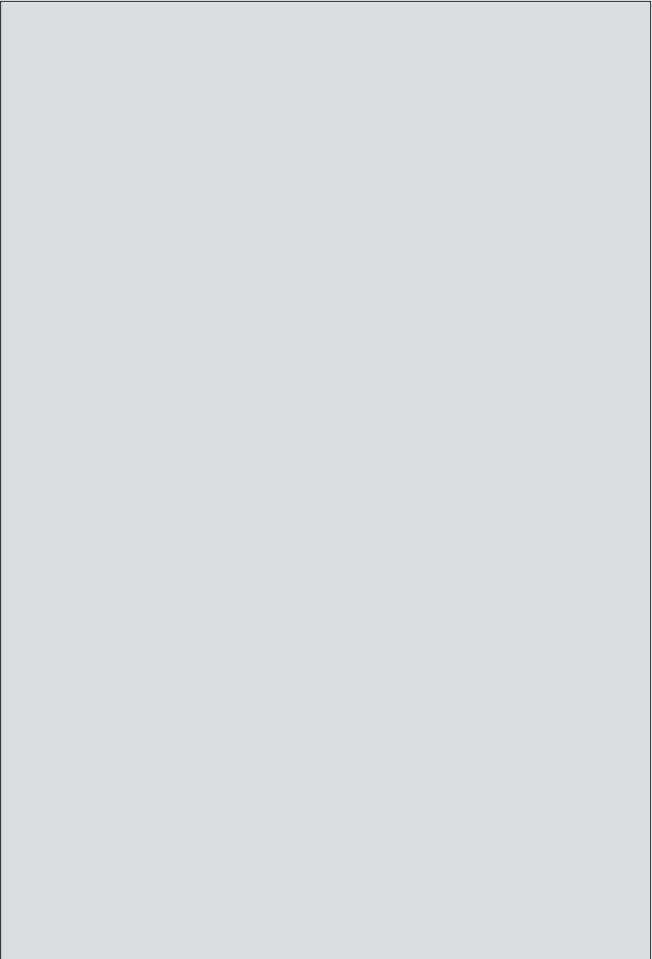
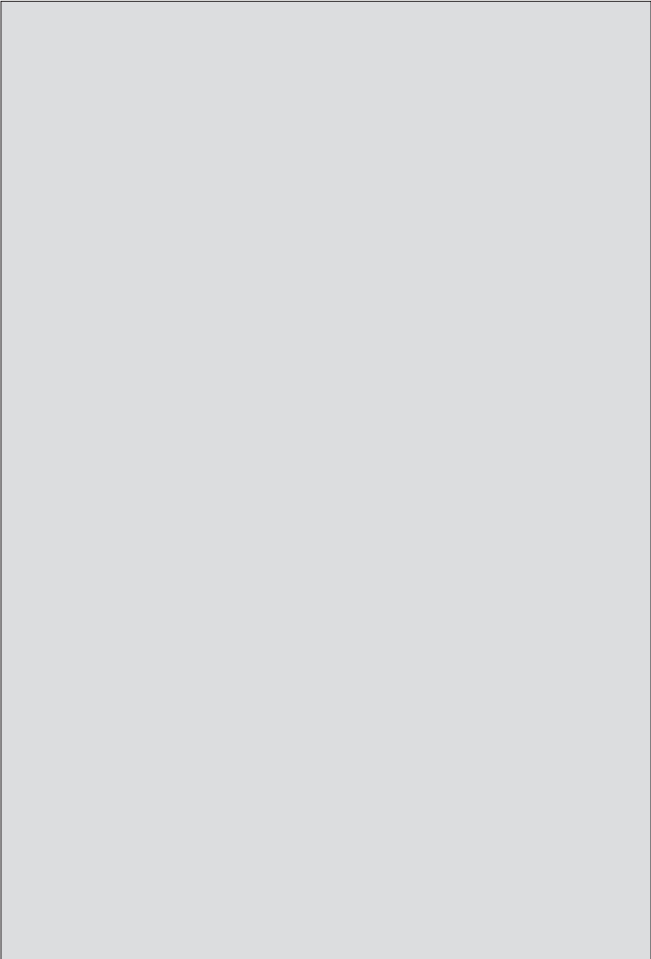
DALLAS – Recent media reports indicate that some military support organizations are spending large amounts of money to ship items to troops in Iraq and Afghanistan. One group explained that it takes \$20 to get each traditional “care package” to deployed troops. With 30 boxes getting shipped out each month, shipping costs reportedly reach \$600 alone.

“The sports drinks, batteries, compact discs and magazines are already in Iraq and Afghanistan,” said Lt. Col. Debra Pressley, the Army & Air Force Exchange Service’s chief of corporate communications. “When troops first went into Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom, AAFES was right behind them setting up (base exchanges) throughout the contingency theater. Spending money to send these items to the Middle East is inefficient, not to mention expensive.”

Americans can maximize their contributions to deployed troops by purchasing gift certificates that can be used by service members in any of the 54 exchanges in Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom.

“We need to remember that while we’re gathered around backyard barbecues with friends and family on July 4 there will be troops deployed to Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom who more than likely are ‘turtled up’ in heavy gear as they patrol in blazing temperatures that regularly exceed 110 degrees in the shade,” said Colonel Pressley.

“Gifts from the Homefront” certificates, available in denominations of \$5, \$10, \$20, \$25 and \$50 can be purchased by logging on to www.aafes.com or calling (877) 770-4438.






Golden Bolt Award





1st Lt. Albert Bosco

Tech. Sgt. Timothy Van Horn inspects an AIM-9 missile rail on an F/A-22 Raptor here recently. Sergeant Van Horn is the Golden Bolt winner for May. He found the Golden Bolt laying beneath a hydraulic cart on the flightline.

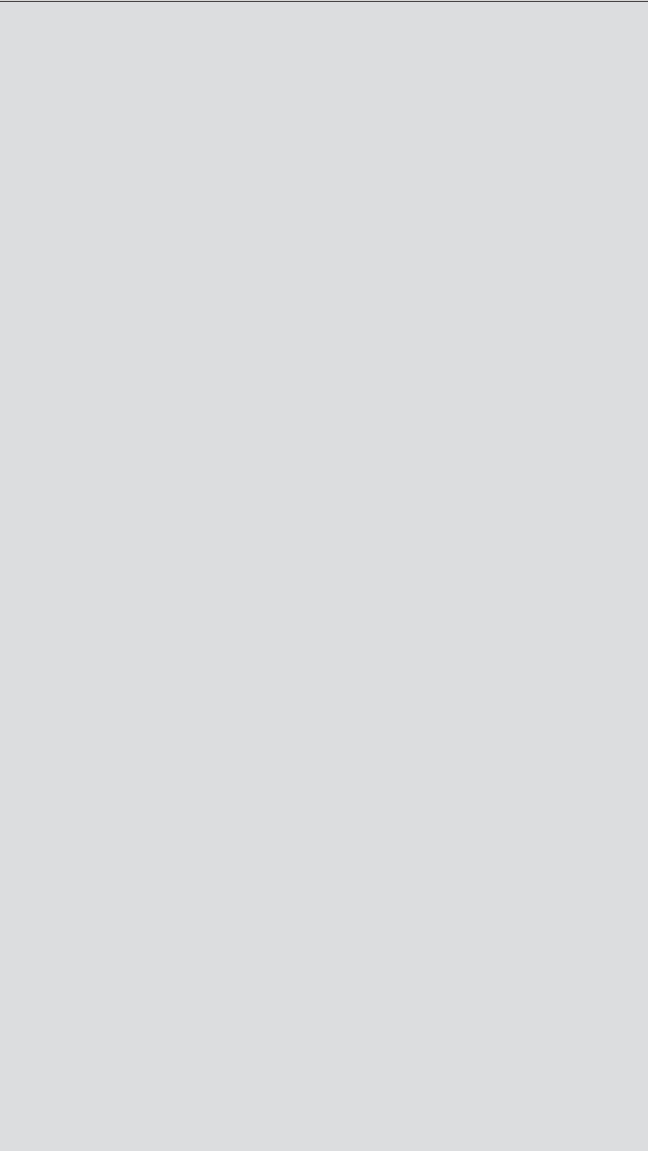
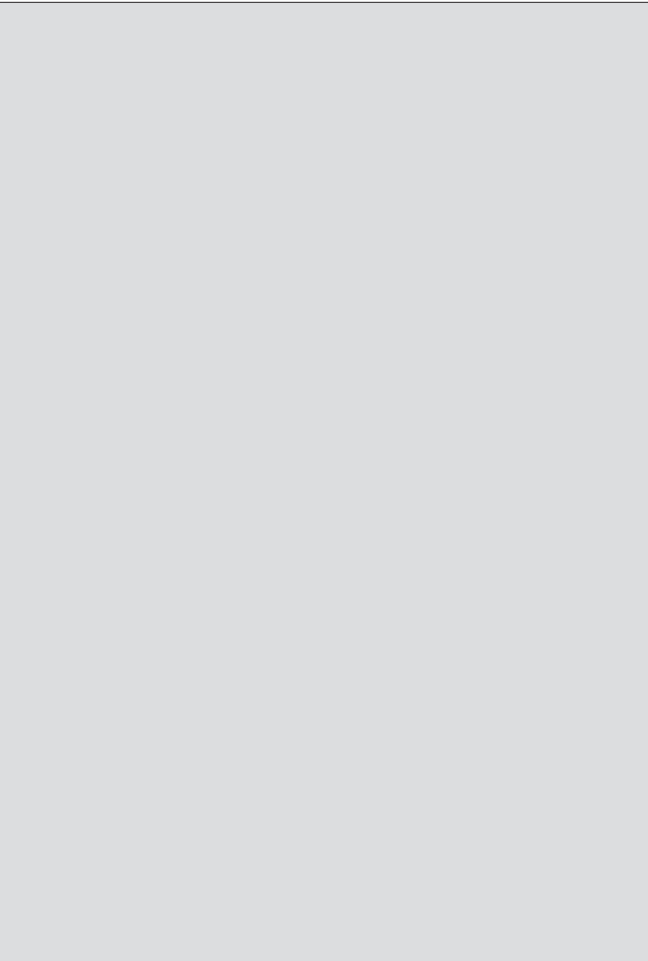
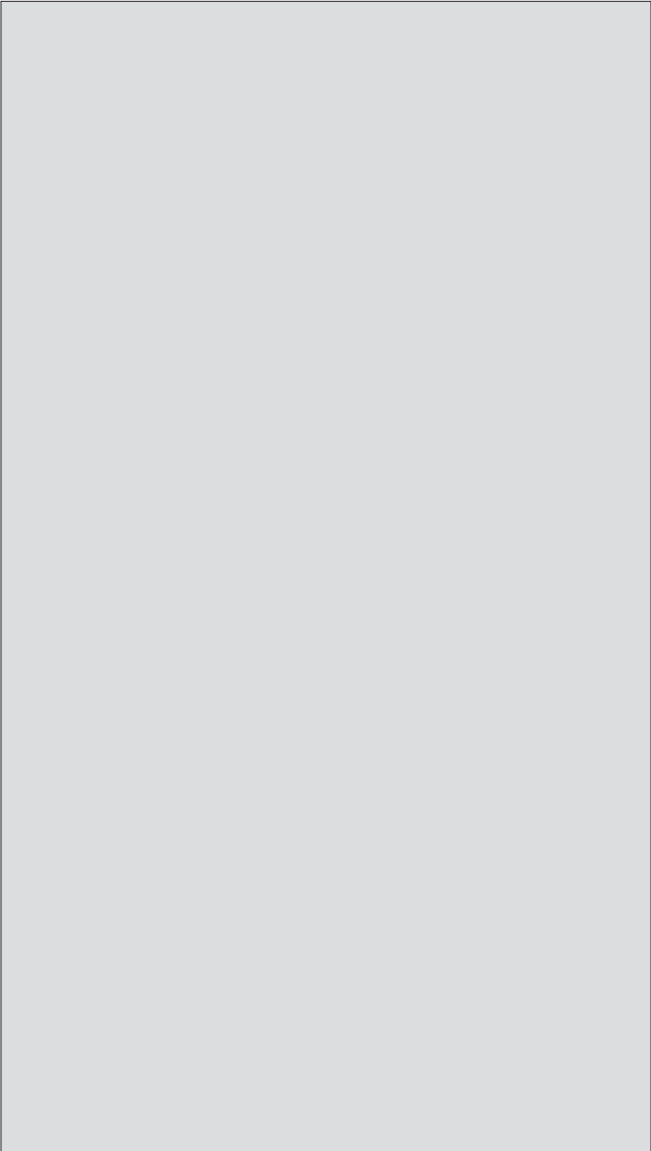
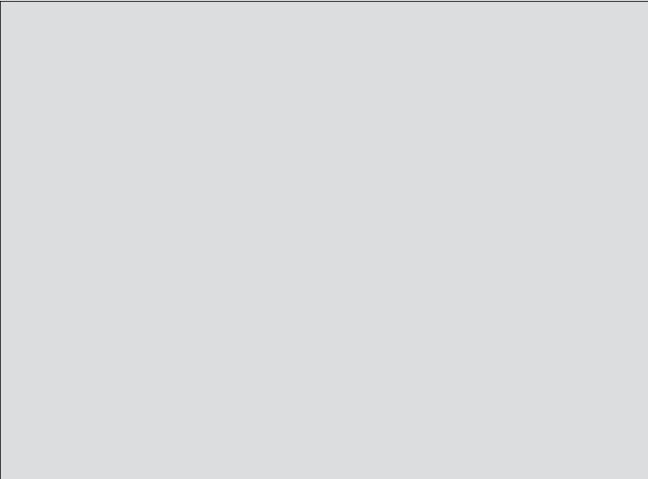
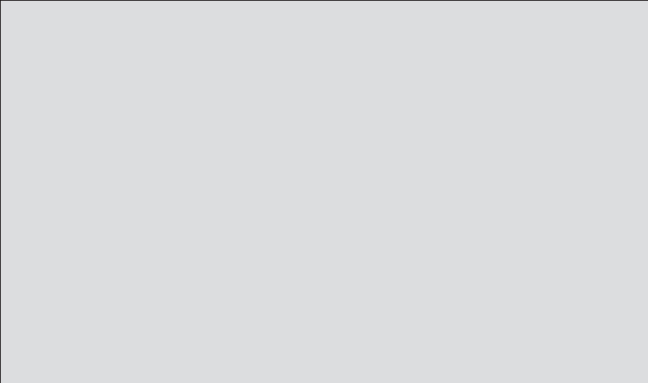


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SAFETY FIRST



Airmen must remain fit to fight stress

AIRMAN 1ST CLASS SARAH MCDOWELL
325th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

(Editor's note: This is the second in a four-part series on the dimensions of overall human wellness, an initiative from the Air Education and Training Command.)

People may be causing their own stress.

As people go through a stressful time, they may reach out to things to get them through it, such as food, alcohol or tobacco – and may be inadvertently stressing themselves out.

According to numerous health reports, substances such as tobacco, nicotine and alcohol actually cause stress responses when a person is in a perpetual cycle of using them.

Fortunately, there are healthier and more effective avenues to actually achieve the desired effect – and the main ways are diet and exercise.

“When a person exercises, it improves their mood, self-esteem and their body-image,” said Master Sgt. Sandra

Thornton, 325th Aeromedical-Dental Squadron NCO in charge of Life Skills flight. “It is definitely part of the whole picture. Individuals are very complex, and if they are trying to address one issue, then they are missing 75 percent of the picture.”

This means that Airmen must think about the whole picture when it comes to overall wellness, and being physically fit is one-fourth of the picture that accompanies being spiritually, emotionally and socially fit.

“Exercise will benefit someone immediately,” Sergeant Thornton said. “Because as they start exercising their (brain chemicals) start working better, and if they are feeling a little sad, then it puts them in a better mood.”

People who do not know where to start, or would like to spice up their already scheduled workouts, can visit the base Fitness Center, Community Center or the Health and Wellness Center. The Fitness Center is full of Nautilus, aerobic and free weight equipment, and

has several aerobic classes available in the morning, noon and after duty hours. The Community Center has many specialty classes available, such as karate or belly dancing. The HAWC has workout equipment as well as classes, such as healthy eating classes or smoking cessation classes and groups. There are also many intramural and varsity sports on base in which Airmen may get involved, such as basketball, softball, bowling and flag football.

Any of these activities can be stress-relieving exercise and can be beneficial to the participants, but diet is also directly related to the amount of stress one feels.

“Stress impacts people and the way they eat,” said Master Sgt. Ron Hagen, NCO in-charge of the HAWC. “If you are eating meals regularly throughout the day and trying to get a balanced diet, that will improve your work and energy level.”

According to popular health Web site, Holstic.com, “A well balanced diet is crucial in preserving health and helping to reduce stress.” This means that people are what they eat, and it does directly affect health, both long and short term. They also state that certain substances – such as caffeine, alcohol, fat, sugar and salt, can have harmful effects and become the direct cause of stress when not taken in moderation.

“Eating in moderation as well as exercise will make you feel better and will improve your attitude and performance,” Sergeant Hagen said. “There are just so many good things that come from having these practices.”

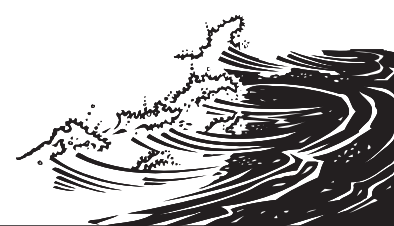


Airman 1st Class Sarah McDowell

Second Lts. John Olund, left, and Richard Young sprint around the track here Wednesday. Aerobic training is just one way to improve your health, both mentally and physically.



Funshine NEWS



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All ranks at the Tyndall Enlisted Club

Free Movie Night

Thursday
HOSTAGE

Rated PG
Movie 6 p.m.

Jeff Talley, a former LAPD hostage negotiator, has moved himself away from his failed career outside of Los Angeles, and away from his wife and daughter. When a convenience store robbery goes wrong in his turf, the three perpetrators move in on an unsuspecting family. But the family's father has a secret which might compromise his kin, and one of the criminals is about to jump over the edge. Jeff Talley has to get everybody to survive the night ... if he can.

Snack Bar items include

Pizza, hot dogs, chili dogs, nachos, popcorn, candy & soda.

Youth under age 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Movies subject to availability.

283-4357

Twilight Movie Night



Come out and enjoy a movie under the stars with **free** popcorn at the Community Center every Friday.

Show time is 8 p.m. - weather permitting.

Tonight

"Blade: Trinity" Rated R

Some movies might not be suitable for younger audiences.

For more information call
283-2495

Butcher Block Night

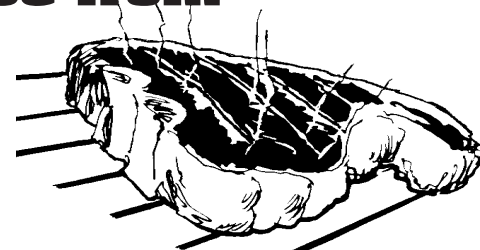
At the O' Club

July 29

5:30-8:30 pm

A selection of sliced meats will be displayed on ice to choose from

**T-bone
Rib eye
New York strip
Filet
Chicken breast
Pork chops
Lamb chops**



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All meals include dinner salad and cheese cake

Auto Shop marathon



From 9:30 a.m. Saturday until 7 p.m. Sunday. Open through the night. This is a great time to complete your vehicle repairs or projects that take a little longer to finish. Call 283-4511 for more information.

Book your holiday parties now at the Officers' and Enlisted club.



Don't wait 'til the last minute! **283-4357**

Pizza Pub in the Tyndall Community Center

NASCAR Race Sunday!

DODGE/SAVE MART 350

Race begins at 1:30 p.m.
Races shown at the Pizza Pub.
Prizes for participation will be given at each event. Must be a current club member to win.

283-3222 for details



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AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

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Pizza Pub

Friday & Saturday night

Carry out* special

10" Pepperoni \$5
10" Landslide \$5
10" Signature \$7.50
10" Supreme \$7.50

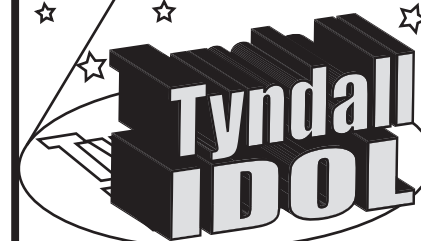
5-10 p.m.

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TYNDALL SERVICES
Combat Support & Community Service

*Special applies to carry out only!

Get ready...



is coming in August

All club members are invited to compete for Big Prizes!

for more information call
283-4357

Air Force Marathon set for Sept. 17

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SAN ANTONIO (AFPN) – Air Force Services officials will hold the ninth annual Air Force Marathon at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, Sept. 17. The marathon will also include a half-marathon, wheelchair race, a four-person relay and a 5k race.

The deadline for registration is Sept. 2. The race is open to the public.

The course is a certified 26.2-mile run that starts and ends at the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force and traverses historical places on Wright-Patterson, including the Air Force Institute of Technology, Air Force Materiel Command headquarters, the Wright-Patterson flightline and the Wright Brothers Memorial Monument.

Bill Rogers, a four-time winner of the Boston and New York City marathons and a member of the 1976 U.S. Olympic marathon team, along with Alberto Salazar, who set six U.S. records, a world record and won three consecutive New York marathons, will speak at a dinner at the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force Sept. 16 and participate in the races.

Registration fees are: marathon (individual), \$45; wheelchair, \$45; relay team, \$160 per team; half marathon, \$30 and the 5k, \$15. Tickets for the dinner can be paid for on the registration entry form and are \$12 per adult, \$6 per child ages 6 to 12, and free for children age 5 or younger.

Permissive temporary duty is authorized for this event.

The Air Force Marathon has been flying high for eight years, and Air Force Services Agency officials recently approved it as an official Air Force event. The marathon began in 1997 as Wright Patterson’s tribute to the 50th anniversary of the Air Force. A record 3,500 people participated last year, while about 7,000 others volunteered or were spectators.

“Becoming the official Air Force Marathon brings credibility to it,” said M. Scott Nunnally, of the Air Force Services Agency.

The Air Force Marathon is already a qualifying race for the Boston Marathon.

For more information, people can visit the Air Force Marathon Web site at <http://afmarathon.wpafb.af.mil> or call (937) 257-4350 or (800) 467-1823.

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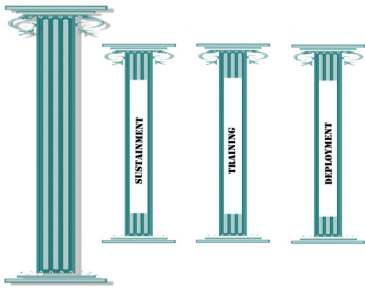
Chad Claar, Tyndall’s anthrax vaccine immunization program medical officer in charge. “Last week we began vaccinating Airmen who wanted the vaccine. All personnel deploying or being assigned to Korea or the Middle East will be offered the vaccine. Adult dependents of these departing personnel may also volunteer to receive it.”

Implementing the program requires commanders to follow EUA conditions very carefully, providing members of the armed services both education on the program and an option to refuse the vaccination without penalty.

However, some Airmen may still have fears about the vaccine and what happens if they choose not to receive it.

“The key to any successful program is front line education, and that is what we are committed to providing,” said Col. Sean Murphy, 325th Fighter Wing Medical Group commander. “The anthrax

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vaccine is very safe and has life-saving potential.”

“All Tyndall personnel will be briefed on the new aspects of the program,” Capt. Claar said. “In addition, personnel eligible for the vaccine will receive further education before being offered the vaccine.”

Dr. William Winkenwerder, assistant secretary of defense for health affairs, said this directive “Is a significant step that allows the department to resume this vital protection measure for military personnel, who are at increased risk of exposure to an anthrax attack. We are pleased to be able to again protect our personnel against anthrax.”

For the most part, vaccinations during the period of the EUA will be limited to military units designated for homeland bioterrorism defense and to U.S. forces assigned to the Central Command area of responsibility and Korea.

Those who would like more information on the vaccine can visit www.anthrax.mil/eua.

